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In an effort to maximize the state’s population count in the 2020 U.S. Census – and the federal funding that goes along with it — the state’s 2020 Census Grant Program Panel announced Monday that 36 Maryland government and nonprofit organizations will receive funding as part of a census outreach program. The \$4.09 million in awards will support efforts to ensure every Marylander completes his or her census form.

The Census Grant Panel awarded grants to eligible applicants that demonstrated the capacity to conduct outreach activities throughout Maryland to:

- Ensure a fair, accurate, and inclusive count for Maryland, and
- Increase the response rate of hard-to-count communities and populations in Maryland.

“We are funding proposals that support efforts to reach some of the most challenging segments of our population to increase census responses, and provide a full and accurate portrait of every community throughout Maryland,” said Planning Secretary Rob McCord, who is one of the grant panel’s five members and whose agency oversees the panel’s work. “Counting each person helps every one of us in Maryland.”

Recipients of the grants include local governments and nonprofits that applied for a portion of the matching funds.

The 2020 Census Grant Program recipients are:

Recipient	Matching Grant Amount
Action in Maturity, Inc.	\$25,000
Anne Arundel County	\$45,000
Baltimore City Department of Planning	\$250,000
Baltimore County	\$250,000
Baltimore Office of Promotion and the Arts, Inc.	\$139,500
Banner Neighborhoods	\$26,740
Carroll County	\$40,000
CASA de Maryland, Inc.	\$447,614
Catholic Charities Esperanza	\$65,050
Centro De Apoyo Familiar	\$250,000

Chinese American Parent Association of Howard County	\$50,000
City of College Park	\$34,385
City of Greenbelt	\$15,000
City of Seat Pleasant	\$18,636
Frederick County	\$80,000
Global Outreach Leaders	\$109,200
Green and Healthy Homes Initiative	\$125,000
Harford County	\$133,310
Howard County	\$150,240
Howard County Chinese School	\$80,000
Identity, Inc.	\$123,080
Montgomery County	\$581,700
Montgomery County Renters Alliance	\$100,000
Moving Youth Toward Hope, Inc.	\$52,000
No Boundaries Coalition	\$76,086
Northern Gateway	\$25,000
Prince George's County	\$244,208
Resident Services. Inc.	\$163,182
Southwest Partnerships	\$30,000
Town of Forest Heights	\$59,000
Unified Efforts, Inc.	\$7,500
United Way of Central Maryland	\$110,000
Vietnamese American Service, Inc.	\$62,900
Washington County Commission on Aging	\$15,000
Women's Home Preservation Fund	\$89,990
Young Invincibles	\$25,000
Total	\$4,099,321



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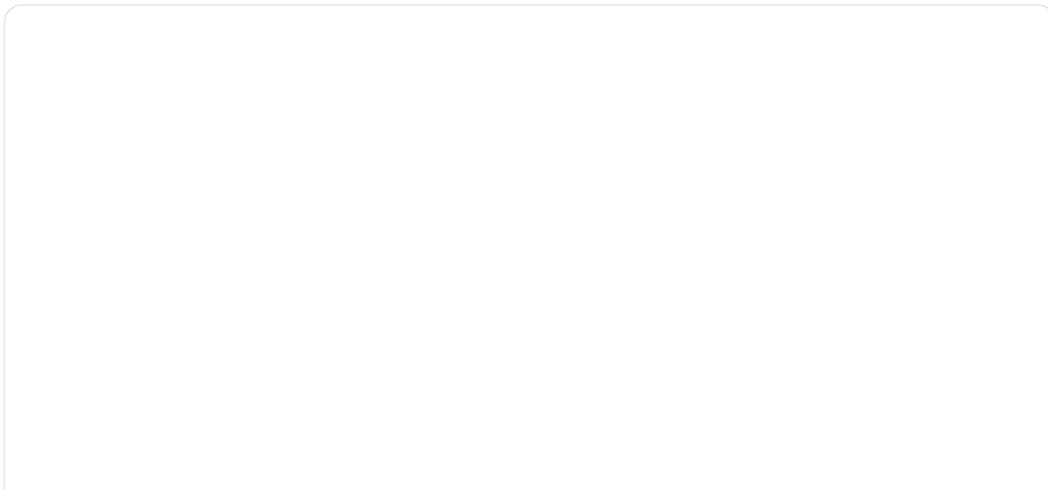
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